CLAYTON COUNTY HONORS THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. ATLANTA SUBURBAN ALUMNAE CHAPTER

WHEREAS:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a private, non-profit organization comprised of more than 200,000 college educated women whose primary purpose is to provide support through public service and program initiatives in local communities throughout the world. Founded in 1913 by twenty-two women on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., the Sorority currently has over 950-plus Alumnae and Collegiate chapters located in the United States, England, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and the Republic of Korea. For one hundred (100) years, the sisters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., have remained dedicated to the overall mission of (1) promoting academic excellence; (2) providing scholarship assistance; (3) supporting the underserved; (4) educating and stimulating participation in the establishment of positive public policy; and, (5) highlighting issues and providing solutions to problems within the communities the sorority serves; simultaneously, the membership has expanded to become the largest predominately African-American Greek-letter Sorority in the world; and

WHEREAS:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is faithfully committed to the development of programs based upon the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement, as established by the sorority's founders in 1913; and

WHEREAS:

The Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter was charted April 24, 1993 to serve the citizens of Atlanta, the counties of Fayette, Douglas and Clayton County. Since then the members have exemplified the spirit of their founders and notable members such as the late Dorothy Height who said, "Twenty-two young women gave us something more than an organization; they planned it to be a sisterhood. Friends love us at all times, sisters are made for adversity" The Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter is true to its motto, Service...A Sisterhood answering the call as they work to improve the quality of life and overall well being of the citizens in Clayton County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS:

The Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter's mission and programs benefit our community through initiatives such as mentorship programs for underserved youth, scholarship and awards programs, charitable giving at home and abroad, health and wellness seminars, educational and political forums, and voter registration drives; and

WHEREAS:

The Clayton County Board of Commissioners is pleased to congratulate the members of the Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., on the sorority's Centennial celebration and commends the sisters for 100 years of service not only to Clayton County and the various other local communities across the State of Georgia but also the entire world; now

THEREFORE:

By virtue of the authority vested in me as County Commissioner I do hereby recognize the dedicated work of the Sisters of "Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc." and urge all citizens of Clayton County, Georgia to join me in congratulating the members of the Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for their continued commitment, support and dedication to Clayton County, Georgia. I wish all chapter members the best as we celebrate our one hundred year anniversary in the year 2013 and continue to utilize our collective strength to lead the way in making a positive impact in the lives of Clayton County residents.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia to be affixed this 19th day of February in the year two thousand thirteen.